

State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
One Capitol Mall, Suite 410
Sacramento, CA 95814

PROJECT TITLE: Accessibility and Landscape Improvements

LOCATION: Governor's Mansion State Historic Park

COUNTY: Sacramento County

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Improve various facilities at Governor's Mansion State Historic Park to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and current Public Health and Safety standards. Work will:

Historic Landscape Improvements

- Remove five non-historic trees and various non-historic plants on the north side of the carriage house and on the south side of the mansion to construct a new ADA compliant ramp;
- Remove grape stake fence southeast of the pool and re-use along the most northern 40' portion of the western property boundary. Work will require excavating up to six post holes approximately 36 to 42" in depth;
- Reinstall the "Pat Brown" phone box on the west side of swimming pool. Phone will be mounted to an existing post.

Walking Surfaces, Pathways and ADA Compliance

- Remove the existing chair lift, repair and paint stairs and remove existing lattice from porch to provide access to an existing platform to install a new ADA compliant contained unit lift attached to the south side porch on the exterior of the Mansion next to the stairway; replace lattice on the backside of the new lift;
- Repair pathways and replace borders around the mansion, where necessary, to improve safety;
- Install new ADA compliant ramp from east porch to the south side of the Mansion to provide access to the new lift unit;
- Remove the wood spacers in the concrete area around the carriage house and replace with grout colored to match the wood creating a smooth ADA complaint surface between the pool/carriage house area and the Packard building parking lot and building.

Fence and Pool

- Remove existing, non-historic black metal fence on south side of pool and add a removable clear panel fence using existing pool cover clips.

Exterior Lighting Plan

- Install low voltage lighting to provide safety, security, and visitor enhancement to the landscape;
- Repair existing historic lighting fixtures as necessary.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Capital District

EXEMPT STATUS:

☒ Categorical Exemption Class: 1, 2, 3, and 4 Section: 15301, 15302, 15303, and 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible expansion of use beyond current levels; replacement of existing structures/facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity; construction of new small facilities or structures and the installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures, minor public alterations in the condition of land and vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees; included as "modifications of existing facilities for handicap access", in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR 15300.4.

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